



**Parking
spaces galore!**

The new LSUS parking lot under construction is viewed from the observation deck atop Bronson Hall. The 407-car lot is scheduled for completion by late April, and will be used entirely for student parking, according to University officials. (photo: Roger Herring)

For student activities

SGA considers van purchase

by GARRETT STEARNS

Executive reports on the possibility of the purchase of a student van for student activities, services to night students, and Bicentennial celebration plans were among items brought up Friday in the first Student Government Association (SGA) Senate meeting this semester.

Billy Lyons, SGA president, requested the senate to "consider the possibility of the purchase of a student van for student activities with your excess budget fund. Think what you can do for the night students — if an emergency arises and a night student needs to be contacted, there is no manned phone," he said. He also commented on the problem of picking up mid-term grades for night students.

LYONS ALSO ANNOUNCED the resignation of Cindy McManus as the director of the Office of

Special Research. He recommended James Hitt to replace McManus, which the senate later approved.

Lyons also emphasized to senators that the "SGA office is a business office at all times . . . the SGA office is not a hangout." He further told senators "to consider loose ends from last semester which have not been done." Lyons ended his report with asking for the SGA to report the activities of the Student Activities Board and the Bicentennial Planning Commission.

SGA analysis

Five points were contained in SGA Vice President Tim Hardy's executive report. The first point dealt with "What to do for the '76 Bicentennial Celebration. The second point dealt with senators appearing "credible to constituents" and exhibiting "a genuine effort."

IN THE NEXT TWO points Hardy asked that all senators "leave all personal feelings outside and look at all things objectively. . . and make meeting's smooth." In his last point he requested help in interpreting the Library Hours Survey conducted during spring registration.

In the budget report, SGA Treasurer Sam Reno reported \$5,471.04 remaining in the SGA account for this semester.

In new business Senator George Leritte submitted a resolution that the SGA thank Ken Beauvais, Kappa Alpha Order fraternity and all personnel involved in procuring, decorating and removing the SGA-sponsored Christmas tree. This resolution received unanimous consent.

In other new business the senate approved William Wainwright and David Clark as senators-at-large. George Henderson and Dale Sterritt also received approval as senators from the College of Business.

New parking lot construction starts

by CYNTHIA LEWIS
Contributing Writer

A new concrete parking lot and service road are under construction on the north side of the campus, according to George Kalmabach, director of the physical plant.

Kalmabach said B & F Construction Co., Inc., of Bossier City is scheduled to complete the project by late April.

DR. JIMMIE SMITH, vice chancellor of Student Affairs, said the entire 407-car lot will be used for student parking. The service road will join the parking lot with the site of the proposed University Center.

Smith also said that the lot is a welcomed addition to the physical plant, but there is no critical shortage of parking space this semester.

"THE ONLY student who has a parking problem is the one who drives in at 7:58 a.m. on Monday, Wednesday or Friday and expects to find a space near Bronson Hall so that he can make his 8 a.m. class on the fourth floor on time," Dr. Smith said.

According to University officials, the parking lot and service road are part of a larger site improvement program also scheduled for completion in late April.

THE GRAVEL parking lot on the south side of the campus will be improved as part of the larger project. Campus lighting will be improved in a second major part of the project.

Lights will be installed in the concrete parking lots north of Bronson Hall, in the mall and along the northern portion of the Campus Drive from Youree Drive.

IN THE THIRD major part of the site improvement program, contractors will extend underground water, gas, electricity and sewage lines from Bronson Hall to the site of the proposed University Center at the east end of the mall.

Contractors will be paid with part of the \$600,000 allotted to LSUS by Gov. Edwards in 1974 for site improvement, according to Dr. A.J. Howell, vice chancellor for Business Affairs. Howell said the rest of the allocation will be used at a later date.

Cinema International to present 4 films

The Louisiana State University in Shreveport Cinema International will present four films this spring, Dr. Currie Thompson, LSUS assistant professor of Spanish, has announced.

Season tickets at \$5 each may be obtained from Dr. Robert C. Leitz, membership chairman and assistant professor of English. All films will be shown at 7:30 p.m. in the LSUS Science Lecture Auditorium where season tickets and those for individual films at \$2 each may be purchased. Films are in the original language with English subtitles.

The following films are scheduled: "Beauty and the Beast," Jan. 23; "The Good Soldier Schweik," Feb. 20; "Fellini Satyricon," March 19; and "Alexander Nevsky," April 16.

The French "Beauty and the Beast" is a 90-minute black and white made in 1946. It has been described by the New York Times as "a sensuously fascinating film. . .priceless, gorgeous, exquisite."

Life Magazine called it "beautiful. One of the best from France," and Newsweek said it is "a brilliant example of what cameras can do with a poet in charge. . .a delight."

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Assistant editor speaks out

Did the celebration start too early?

It is just barely possible that somewhere in the United States there is someone who has not heard of the Bicentennial in some form. This person would probably have to be blind, deaf and dumb to not have been exposed to all that has been written or reported about our nation's 200th birthday.

Granted, the Bicentennial of a country is a big event and should by no means be ignored but it seems that the people of this country have gone overboard on the subject. No one, no matter who they are, can get through a single day without having the subject come up in some way. And the actual day is still 162 days away.

Perhaps, the thing that bothers people the most is the way that the Bicentennial has been commercialized. The famous "Spirit of '76" painting has been plastered onto everything from the walls of buildings to sweatshirts and coffee mugs. Everything is painted in red, white and blue.

The real problem is that the celebration was started much too early. Of course, it's an event that only comes along once in a lifetime, but by this time most people have had enough Bicentennial to last a lifetime, too.

By the time July 4, 1976 rolls around, people are going to be looking at one another and saying "Who cares?" Why can't we wait until at least the late spring and then do all our celebrating of our country's birthday nearer its actual birth date?

No one would really have an objection to the Bicentennial Minutes on television, the articles in newspapers and magazines, or parades and fire works. But if anything is run into the ground for a year and a half before;

the actual event—it is going to be anticlimatic.

America's 200th birthday is going to be a big day—if people don't get tired of it first. We sincerely hope that doesn't happen—for everyone's sake.



Super Bowl: A year's rest

by GEORGE SYLVIE
Contributing Writer

Well, sports fans, it's finally over. Yes, Super Bowl X is off the air, thank God. And it will be another year before it comes back. As a rule I don't usually hate football games, but in this case I'll make an exception, and you must agree that Sunday's game was an exception.

If you were among the 70-odd million who watched, you know what I mean. At 11:30 the pre-game show came on and viewer were subjected to the tiresome trio of Brent Musberger, Irv Cross and Dallas Cowgirl-of-the-year Phyllis George (sorry about that, Bess Maxwell fans, but your girl was first runnerup).

ASIDE FROM ALL the stupid interviews (Joe Namath picked Dallas by 10, Alice Cooper picked Detroit by seven), there was that short boat trip which our heroes took to the helicopter which carried them to the Orange Bowl. Too bad the boys

from SWAT didn't get a chance to do their stuff on CBS.

Then came those ridiculous NFL films, Barbra Streisand singing "The Way We Were" as a salute to the Green Bay Packers and Frank Sinatra crooning "Here's to the Winners" of previous Super Bowls. Better tunes might have been "Thanks for the Memories" and "Always a Dull Moment."

And of course, the game itself was something else. Cliff Harris shook his finger at Roy Gerela after Gerela had missed a field goal attempt, after which Pittsburgh linebacker Jack Lambert asked him if he'd like his finger between two slices of bread. Harris declined comment.

AN INTERESTING statistic about the contest was that the ball was in motion for less than a quarter (no, not 25 cents but 15 minutes). The rest of the time was spent (five cents at a time) figuring out what play to call next. Considering only eight

plays resulted in scores I'd say that we got gypped (although there was compensation in that Howard Cosell did not call the game).

The post-game interviews were something else. If I had just lost the Super Bowl and some dumb reporter had asked me how I felt I'd probably tell him, "With my emotions and my hands, why—doesn't everybody else?" Then I'd take his microphone and put it where it belonged.

THE WHOLE FIASCO was topped off by Cowgirl George, who with Musberger and Cross was still sitting in the stands, surrounded by Pittsburgh fans. In a moment of candor, Phyllis philosophically flubbed, "We're surrounded by people." Go back to ad lib school, baby.

Finally who can forget Jack Whitaker, the Eric Clarified of CBS Sports, making editorial comments. All I can say to him is slip out the back Jac, makin' no plans Stan, no need to be coy Roy...

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John Doe says goodbye to his drinking problem

by G. DAVID ROWLAND
Contributing Writer

John and Ruth would like to invite you to a little gathering of friends Friday night. The dress will be casual and every couple is asked to bring some refreshments. The occasion? A celebration of John Doe number 385. Confused?

All across America people are spending hundreds of millions of dollars on alcoholic beverages of all kinds and varieties. But where does it lead? If the invitation were real and you drink, then you would have a one in ten chance of becoming an alcoholic.

WHAT ABOUT the other nine? As soon as you leave the party you increase your chances of becoming a part of the 50 percent of all traffic accidents which are caused by drunk drivers, one of the 60,000 dead or if you're real lucky, only one of the two million injured as a

result of mixing drinking and driving. Personal property losses alone amount to 15 million dollars a year when alcohol and gas are mixed.

So what do we do? Do we lock the alcoholic up in a six by six cell so he can no longer hurt anyone? Not according to Ed Derousselle of the Alcohol and Drug Abuse Information Center.

"YOU HAVE TO be careful not to punish people for being sick", he says. "They think they have found a solution to their problems when in fact they are just compounding them".

Derousselle also says that

alcoholism is the nation's number one drug addiction problem. "There are 200,000 new addicts each year," he says. "The bad thing about it is there is no cure, only prevention."

Included in this figure is the skid-row bum everyone recognizes as the classic alcoholic. But is he really?

Commentary

"So what? No one I know is an alcoholic and I'm sure not." Sound familiar? The surprising fact is that an alcoholic cannot be spotted as easily as some people would like to think. Alcoholics come in all sizes, shapes and colors. They are rich, poor, laborers and executives.

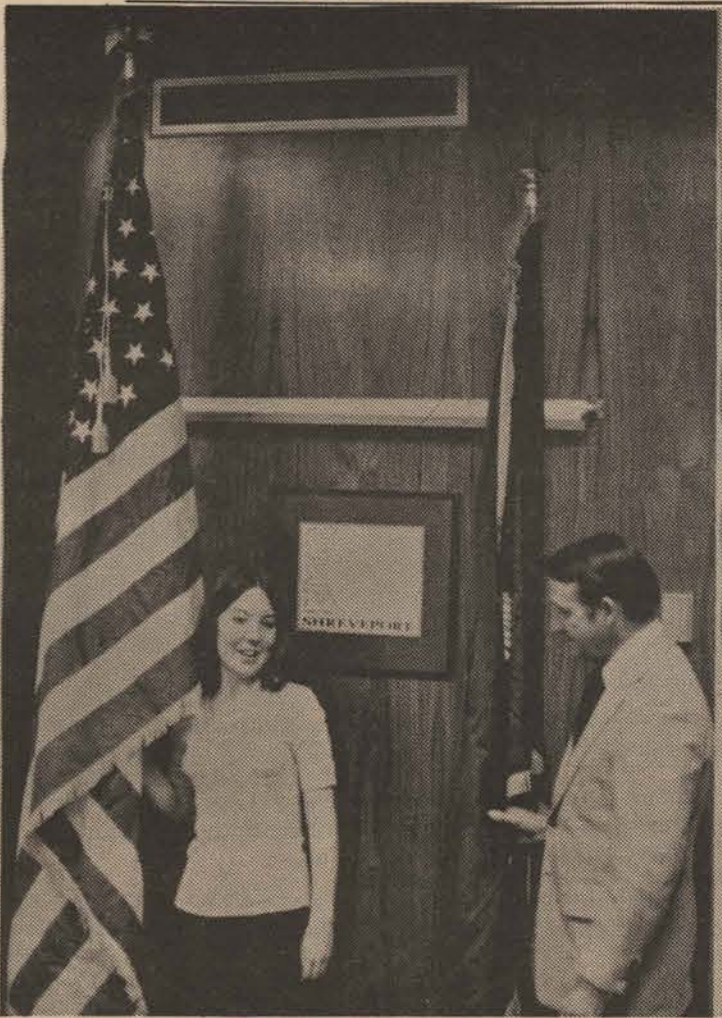
ANOTHER CONSIDERATION, and perhaps the most misunderstood one is that of the innocent bystander. The friends, children and lovers of the alcoholic who must watch as someone they care about literally destroys himself. What people don't realize is that for every alcoholic there are five or six people who are hurt or affected in some way directly. For these people there is an answer.

"The worst thing someone can do to an alcoholic is pour their liquor down the drain or nag them about their drinking," says Derousselle. "The alcoholic must want to help himself before anything can be done. All too often that comes when he has lost his job, friends and almost everything else", he says. "Then he has to go through the ordeal of withdrawal, a lot more dangerous and painful than heroin withdrawal."

EVEN WITH THE price one has to pay, the rewards of 'kicking the habit' are worth many times over the suffering the alcoholic goes through.

So the key is to first realize there is a problem then from there, as the motto goes, "Today is the first day of the rest of your life."

So say good-by John Doe, say hello, life.



Flags arrive

Former SGA senator Monica Soule Dancy presents a set of standing flags to Chancellor Donald E. Shipp. Dancy authored the bill to purchase the American and Louisiana State flags for the University last semester. (photo: Roger Herring)

Parking problems?

Students who have 9 a.m. classes on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays and continually park in the Bronson Hall parking lot are urged to park at the tennis court lot until the new parking lot is constructed, according to Chief Campus Policeman, Claude Overlease.

"Students waste time and gas when they scurry for a parking place at 9 a.m. and the mad dash is very hazardous," he said.

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Liberal Arts presents program

by CARLA HARPER

The College of Liberal Arts has announced a Liberal Arts Colloquium entitled "The Liberal Arts in a Changing World" to be held at the Towne Oaks Club Room, 5910 Roma Dr. from 7:30-9:30 p.m. on the following Thursdays: Jan. 29, Feb. 19, March 25, April 22.

The panelists, consisting of two faculty members and one student, will make brief presentations, after which there will be discussion from the floor. The meetings are designed to strengthen the scholastic ties between faculty and students.

THE PROGRAMS are scheduled as follows:

"The Liberal Arts: The Humanist as Teacher" will be the topic for Jan. 29 in which faculty members Ann Terzia and Dr. Marvin Stottlemire, and student Raelene Pell will participate.

"The Liberal Arts: The Role of Research" will be discussed on Feb. 19 by faculty members Dr. Frank Lower and Hubert

Humphreys, and student John Austin.

"The Role of the Liberal Arts: The Career Dilemma" will be lectured on March 25 by faculty members Dr. Dalton Cloud and Don Sanderson, and student Randy Hunter.

"Goals in the Liberal Arts: The Dilemma of Evaluation" will be the topic presented on April 22 by faculty members Dr. Allena Longfellow and Mike Williams, and student Scott Foll.

FACULTY, STAFF and students are invited to attend and participate in these programs which should be of interest to all, according to Dr. Mary Ann McBride, dean of the College of Liberal Arts.

Vets urged to file

Women veterans who attended school under the GI Bill between June 1, 1966 and October 24, 1972, have only six more months to file claims for a special Veterans Administration payment equalizing benefits with male veterans who married while in training.

Anthony Lentini, VA Regional Director, explained the deadline for filing at the VA Regional Office is July 1, 1976. The retroactive payment to an individual may be as much as \$1,000.

Proof of Marriage while in training must be furnished with the claim. The amount to be

paid in a lump sum is about \$30 per month for each month a woman veteran was in training under the GI Bill while she had a husband.

Women who trained after October 24, 1972, have already been paid on the same basis as their male counterparts. The law does not allow the additional amount for women who trained under the other World War II and Korean Conflict GI Bills.

However, women veterans who proved to VA while they were in training that their husbands were permanently disabled and incapable of self-support have already been paid the additional amount.

Book referral successful

The LSUS Book Referral Service, a Student Government Association (SGA) student service, has been quite successful, according to Richard Dancey, junior senator.

"Any student can purchase a used textbook for less money than buying books in the LSUS Bookstore, and can sell their books for more money than returning them to the Bookstore," Dancey said.

Although the service has been effective this semester, Dancey said efforts have been made to reserve a classroom for the books to be bought and sold. He further commented that the SGA office is constantly cluttered with students requesting information about the books.

SGA senators have been manning the Book Referral Service, since last semester. Now James Hytt, new director of Office of Special Research will soon take charge.

Some 200 books are for sale in the SGA office. For further information contact Hytt, ext. 387 in Bronson Hall.

Campus personality

Prof, spouse get degrees

by SANDY BELLAR
Contributing Writer

At LSUS she is active in the Psychology Club and



Janet Flicker

Senior Janet Flicker will be granted a B.A. degree in Sociology and Psychology in graduation ceremonies at Purdue University May, 16. She is the wife of Dr. Richard Flicker, assistant professor of psychology, who will be granted a doctorate degree at the same program.

Although they have been here only six months, the newlyweds like Shreveport and LSUS. Janet says that it is not that much different from her Oxford, Indiana home.

the Faculty Wives Club. Her favorite classes have been Indian anthropology and the craft class in which she is now enrolled.

Janet's hobbies are "anything domestic, househunting and creative writing." While at Purdue, she was active in the Planned Parenthood Program.

Upon graduation, Janet hopes to work in some area of law enforcement.

Presently the Flickers live in Colonial Plaza Apartments with their 6-month-old puppy "Yankee."

Academic Affairs plans evaluation for courses, teachers this semester

The office of Academic Affairs is preparing to administer course evaluation to students later this semester, according to Dr. Gary Brashier, vice chancellor for Academic Affairs. Dr. Brashier said the program, which is similar to the one given in previous semesters, is actually comprised of three parts: a student evaluation of courses they are enrolled in, a teacher self-evaluation, and an evaluation of the teacher by the department chairmen.

"IT IS ACTUALLY the same program as before, only the emphasis is now on evaluation of class structure and not just the professors for each course," Dr. Brashier said.

The official name of the program is "Evaluation of

Instruction Program" to reflect the change in emphasis, according to Dr. Brashier.

Previous evaluation focused on the teacher's performance and not so much on the course itself, he indicated.

Dr. Brashier said the student part of the program is particularly helpful to the teachers. "Many find it the most useful part of the evaluation," he said.

THE STUDENT forms consist of 1 objective section with 23 multiple-choice questions and a subjective section with 7 short-answer questions.

On previous evaluations, the forms were sent to the University of Illinois for tabulation. This semester, however, the forms will be processed on campus which will save the university "a considerable amount of money," he added.

THE RESULTS are kept by the Academic Affairs Office until final grades are given out, according to Dr. Brashier.

The other two parts of the program are used more for administrative purposes, he said. The results of the teacher self-evaluation and the department chairman evaluation are kept in cumulative file for future reference.

Brashier said the school is considering giving the evaluation on alternating semesters instead of just in the spring.

LSUS is the only school in the LSU System to give a campuswide course evaluation, Brashier said. This is the third year the school has offered the program.

Youth committee named by Shreveport Journal

Greg Goodwin, junior journalism major, has been named to represent LSUS on the Shreveport Journal's Youth Advisory Committee. The committee, which is made up of 10 area students, has been formed to advise the Journal Staff on how they can better serve the young people of the area.

Representatives from colleges, high schools, and junior high schools make up the council.

THE COMMITTEE members met on Jan. 12 at the Petroleum Club where Journal Editor Stanley R. Tiner explained the committee's function. The Journal's Director of Marketing, Mickey Shirley, and Washington Correspondent, Joan McKinney, also spoke to the group. Linda Lockwood, a recent LSUS journalism graduate, who serves as the Youth Committee Coordinator, also attended the meeting.

"I feel very honored to represent LSUS on this committee. I think the committee can serve a very useful function and I'm sure we'll be able to help the Journal improve its youth coverage," Goodwin said.

GOODWIN ADDED that he would welcome any suggestions from any other students on comments on the Journal.

"Just leave suggestions at the Almagest Office (Bronson Hall, room 328) and I'll be glad to pick

them up and present them at our next meeting. The suggestions don't have to concern youth coverage — Tiner assured us that he would welcome any suggestions," Goodwin said.

OTHERS ON THE committee include Bobby Lamb, Louisiana Tech University; Olga Osby, Booker T. Washington High School; Vickie Cobb, Airline High School; Carol McNicoll, St. Vincent Academy; Tamie Bryant, Byrd High School; Cynthia Shirley, Southwood High School; Nancy Driggers, Northwood High School; Buddy Presley, Rusheon Jr. High School; and Pat Booras, Youree Drive Jr. High School.

The committee will meet monthly and each member will serve for a year. Members from other area schools will be placed on the committee at that time.

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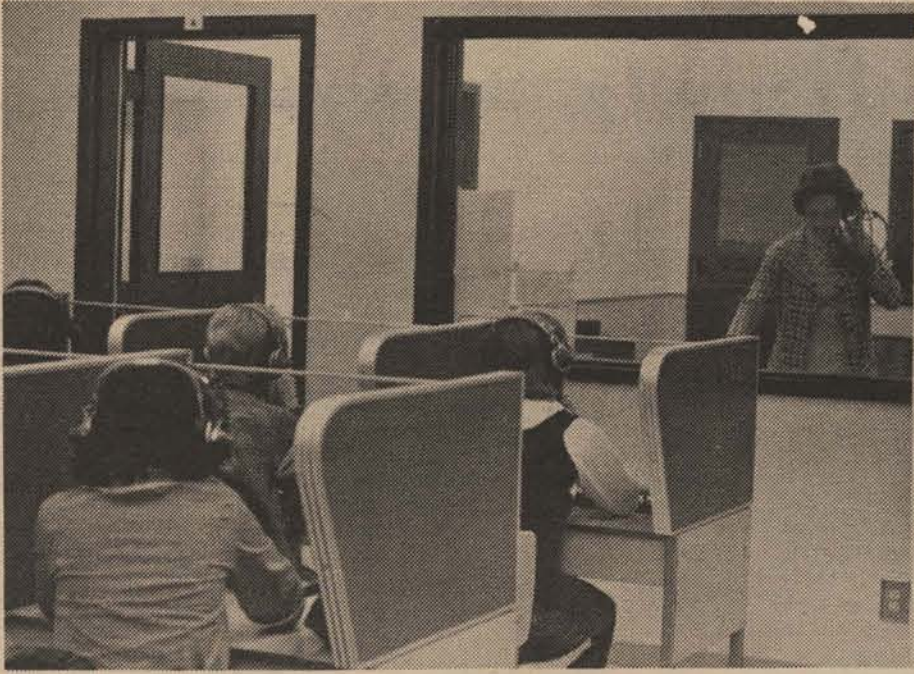
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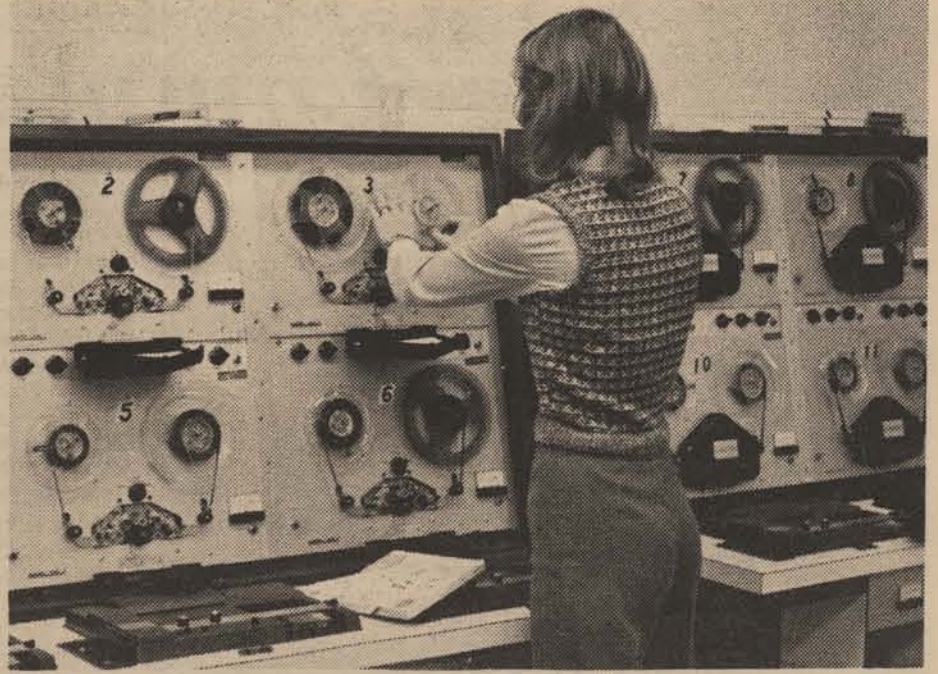
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Shirley Brown, Foreign Language Department chairman, monitors her Spanish 101 class students who are using the recently installed student comparator recorders.



Vivian Soderstrom, Audio Center student worker, puts on a French tape for a student in one of the center's 80 individual listening booths.

Students utilize Audio Center

The Audio Center on the second floor of Bronson Hall offers numerous services to LSUS students.

Consisting of three rooms for individual student and class use, the center contains 80 booths in two rooms with a capability of 22 different program sources on the stereo listening side. The center complex also includes a control room and library-storage room.

The third room, provided with stereo speakers and telephone connected to the control room, allows an entire class to have stereo or monaural program sources piped to them. Multimedia experimental presentations are also possible in this listening room.

A broadcasting console for student training in broadcast techniques is also located in the control room. It provides capabilities for a student radio station at LSUS.

The Audio Center is readily available to all students and classes on campus through reservations with the Department of Foreign Languages office.



Students enrolled in Foreign Language courses spend many hours in the Audio Center, perfecting pronunciation through use of tapes and records.

*Feature by Garrett Stearns
with Roger Herring*



Students in Liberal Arts Dean Mary Ann McBride's Introduction to Fiction English class wait in the center's listening room for Beverly Jopling to telephone the control room for a literature recording to begin.



Two of Dr. Lillian Hall's Broadcasting 275 students, Gina Gordey and Greg Goodwin, practice a radio show at the center's broadcast console.

Campus Briefs

Rabbi named

David Lefkowitz Jr., rabbi emeritus of B'nai Zion Temple has been named Chaplain to the Jewish students and faculty at LSUS.

Rabbi Lefkowitz, a well-known speaker and teacher, resides at 4607 Norway Drive. He was appointed by Chancellor Donald E. Shipp.

Debate team

Anyone interested in joining the LSUS Debate Team should contact Dr. Frank Lower in Bronson Hall, room 352. There are still openings available, according to Dr. Lower.

ERA meeting

The ERA United of North West Louisiana will hold a meeting Sunday at 2 p.m. at the YWCA, 710 Travis. The meeting will be to organize individuals and organizations interested in equality for women.

Ham operators

Jan. 13 was the first class meeting for ham operators and those interested in obtaining a license. Instruction takes place in Bronson Hall, room 301, on Tuesday and Thursday evenings.

Math club

There will be a meeting for Math Club officers Tuesday in Bronson Hall, room 412. Anyone interested is invited to attend.

Teachers

On Monday through Thursday nights, beginning Jan. 20, public school teachers who want to make French their second language should go to room 150 in Bronson Hall. This class is free.

Profs active

Dr. Vincent J. Marsala, dean of the College of General Studies, will address the Bossier City social science classroom teachers, at 7 p.m. Jan. 29. His topic is "Values Clarification in the Social Sciences."

Also, Patricia Meador, registrar of manuscripts and library archives, will attend an executive board meeting of the Society of South-west Archivists in San Antonio, Jan. 29-30.

Slide shows

Marilyn Gibson will show a slide show on the Oxford study program at 2 p.m. Feb. 1. Anyone interested is invited to attend.

SLTA

The SLTA will hold its February meeting in the Library Building, room 236, Feb. 29 at 12:30. The guest speaker, Bob Banning, will discuss the upcoming state convention. Refreshments will be served and anyone interested is invited.

Calendar

Sunday, January 25
2:00 p.m. — ERA of North West Louisiana, YWCA
Monday, January, 26
IM basketball begins — Fort Humbug
Thursday, January 29
IM volleyball, ping pong and badminton begin
Friday, January 30
7 p.m. — Beta Chi, business club party, Silver Pines Apartment Club house
1, 7 and 9:30 p.m. — "Cool Hand Luke," SLA

Chase speaks

Edgar Chase, director of student financial aid, attended an American College Test workshop on student financial aid, at LSU at Alexandria Wednesday.

Also he will be a participant at the ACT 1976 Western Regional Financial Aid Advisory Council meeting in Phoenix Jan. 29-30.

On Feb. 2 he will discuss student financial aid at the Southwood High School College Night Program.

Real estate

From 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. on Monday and Wednesday evenings, a real estate broker's short course will be taught. This 60 hour class begins on Jan. 26, and ends March 31. Class meetings will be in Bronson Hall, room 101, and there will be a \$150.00 fee.

Staff members

Three staff members recently served as a panelist and discussion leaders during in-service programs for Caddo Parish teachers of special education. They are Elaine Preston, clinical social worker; Carolyn Penny, psychologist; and Sheila Burks, speech and hearing consultant.

Help sessions

Free help sessions are being offered by Alpha Sigma Omicron, LSUS Honor Society on Wednesdays from noon til 2 p.m. The sessions are conducted in Bronson Hall, room 108.

Business club

The LSUS Business club, Beta Chi, will hold a party Jan. 30 at 7 p.m. at the Silver Pines Apartments Club Room (2601 Silver Pine and 8000 Jewella). The party will be a 1950's style regalia and dress will be casual 50's style. Barbecue and corn dogs plus beverages will be served and dancing and a sing-a-long will be part of the activities. A calculator with memory will be raffled off and an auction of other prizes will be held. Those interested in Business Administration and friends are invited to attend.

Writing lab

The Writing Lab located in Bronson Hall, room 210 will be open on a regular basis this semester. The lab is a resource center where those having problems in grammar or other aspects of compositions may use materials designed to help the student teach himself. The lab is open Monday 10-2, Tuesday 11-12, Wednesday 11-2 and 5:30-6:30, Thursday 11-12 and 1:30-2:30 and Friday 11-1.

Employees

A free class for municipal and parish administrative employees will meet on Thursday nights starting Feb. 12 in Bronson Hall, room 463.

Legal assistance

Any high school graduate can take the legal assistant course to be held on Monday and Wednesday nights. This class starts Feb. 2, costs \$35.00, and will meet in Bronson Hall, room 301.

GI benefits

The recent effort to delete the G.I. Bill educational benefits for those now serving in the armed forces has had two amendments attached which, if passed, will benefit those now attending school under the program.

The first amendment makes the special nine-month extension available to any recipient for any education use desired, including graduate work. Presently, only those who have not attained their B.A. degree with the original 36 month deadline are eligible.

The second amendment extends the time for G.I. Bill use to 15 years, from its present 8.

President Gerald E. Ford did not sign the bill to stop the educational benefits last July when all other post-Vietnam era V.A. benefits were curtailed.

To Padre Island

Turtle returns

by MARTY BOLCH
Contributing Writer

Born July 4 and christened Yankee Doodle Dandy by her proud fosterparents, this bicentennial lady is the first of a new breed of a tribe once native to South Padre Island, Texas—a booming resort on the Gulf, just across the border from Mexico. Yankee Doodle's forebears became extinct on Padre because of exploitation and environmental pollution; to remedy the situation, two islanders brought ancestors from southern Mexico to Padre to re-establish the breed.

Although Yankee Doodle wears Pampers, has a costume for every holiday (She wore a Santa Claus suit when I met her), and greets visitors with a handshake, she is still only a 40 lb. baby—When she is a big girl, she will weigh 200 lbs.

GIVE UP? YANKEE DOODLE is a Ridley Sea Turtle, the first of the new generation hatched from an egg laid on Padre; when she becomes a mother, she will return to her birthplace to hatch and rear her young.

The "Turtle Lady" is Mrs. Ila Loetscher (pronounced like DOM), and her assistant is Earl Lippoldt. They have other turtle pets, from large sea turtles to a baby Ridley, named Jonathan Livingston Seaturtle, who sleeps in a doll bed in Mrs. Loetscher's bedroom. Ila houses several pets in baby swimming pools in the entrance hall of her beach home, and Earl keeps the larger ones in tanks in his yard. They have become accomplished "turtle doctors" and have rescued or cured many distressed or injured turtles. Sharon, a loggerhead turtle, was recently released after 17 months of nursing for a severed flipper; she was helped to learn to swim with three flippers. Lafitte, the Pirate, was found near death with a lung disease caused by swallowed tar, but Mrs. Loetscher's TLC restored him to health.

ALL THE PET TURTLES have learned to respond to human commands and show the affection and intelligence of a household pet. They know many tricks and have distinct personalities. On Saturdays, island visitors are invited to see them and are served "Turtle Cocktail"—hard to swallow if you don't know it's Kool-Aid. Mrs. Loetscher resembles the Pied Piper with her following of fascinated children whom she deputizes as "turtle watchers." During laying season, all Padre turtle watchers search the beaches for turtle eggs and try to protect them from harm.

This is not a frivolous project, but one about which the sponsors are very serious and are kept busy with research for the Texas Wildlife Commission. They are working for a grant to aid in the project to re-establish the Ridelys in the area.

Walker, Dolch compile text

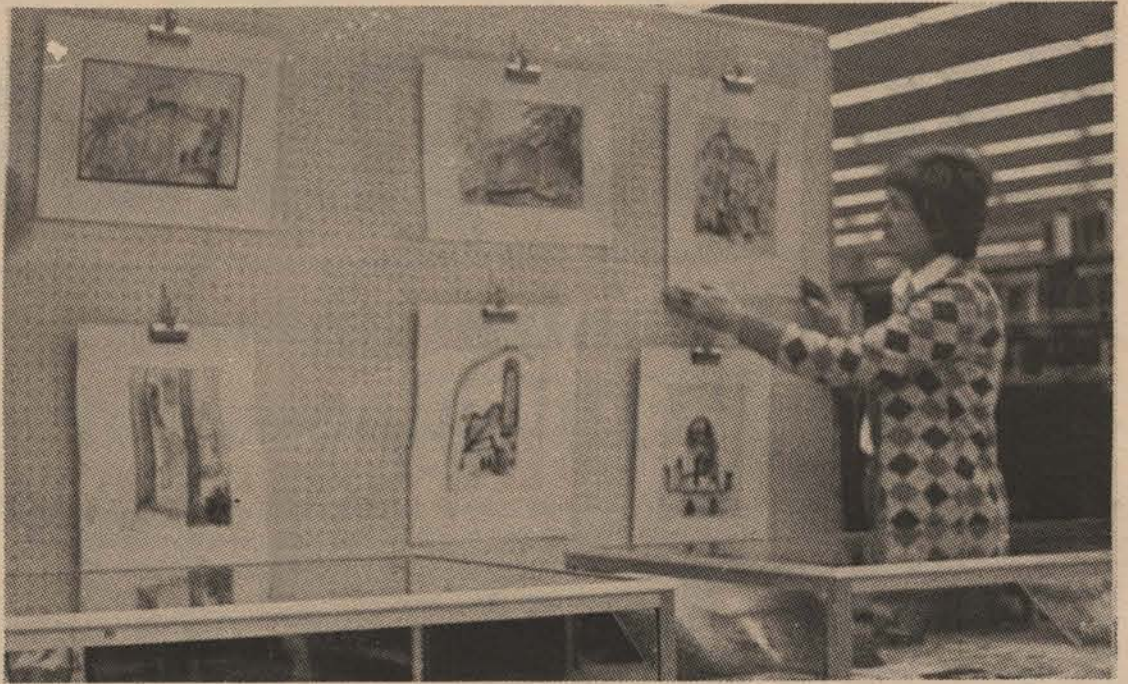
by SANDY BELLAR
Contributing Writer

A supplementary textbook, Readings in Sociology, compiled by Danny K. Walker and Norman Dolch, assistant professors of sociology, has been published and is available at the Twin City Bookstore.

The 146 page book contains readings relating to aspects of Introductory Sociology, Sociology 105. Authors of the various readings are renowned in the social science field. According to Dolch, they are anthropologists, social psychologists and sociologists.

"The book, an original idea of Walker, took approximately six months from its beginning to completion," Dolch added. "There was a problem with the publishers and getting the cost down to a reasonable rate," he added.

The book which sells for \$4.95, is required reading for the 105 course. Walker says that the course should add an awareness of the subject and benefit students.



Ann Terzia, assistant professor of Fine Arts adjusts one of her works in the LSUS Library exhibit of sketches at Oxford University and other nearby localities. The sketches were rendered during the annual LSUS Oxford Program, sponsored by the College of General Studies. (photo: Garrett Stearns)

Oxford on display

At SAB event

X-rated film surprises Friedley

by RANDY GRIFFITH

"This is disgusting. Absolutely repulsive."

"Yes I know. Uh, why are we still sitting here?"

"Well, uh, lets watch just a few more minutes and see how disgusting it gets."

THIS IS JUST a sample of the comments heard in the Science Lecture Auditorium (SLA) Monday when the Student Activities Board (SAB) presented LSUS's first (and probably last) x-rated movie.

Surprising enough, the SLA was not packed to the rafters. As a matter of fact, only a meager group of about 20 students sat through "de Sade," a film about the 18th century French author who gave "sadism" its name.

ANY RESEMBLANCE of this movie to a legitimate biography was purely coincidental, though. Instead, the movie has as its main theme, subtheme, and all other themes (you guessed it) sex. And that about sums up the entire picture: plot, characters, setting and the works.

It seems the entire episode was somewhat of a fluke. Preston Friedley, president of the SAB, expressed nothing less

than total shock when he discovered the nature of the film.

"I DIDN'T know it was x-rated until I saw the rating on the screen. I really thought it was a horror movie," he lamented.

Friedley added that after seeing the first few opening frames, he began to worry the auditorium would be raided.

But it wasn't. In fact, whether intentional or not, all doors into the SLA were not open after the film started.

Perhaps the show had some type of "social redeeming

value", but after looking extensively for it, no one seemed to be able to find one.

AFTER TWO STEAMY hours of almost total perversion, enough to keep a psychologist busy for a year, the movie was over.

Those of you who will now keep an eye on the film schedule for the next juicy flick, you're out of luck. This was the only one that will be shown—which is probably for the best. But don't despair, you can always enroll in Psychology 325-The Natural Condition of Human Sexual Response.

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Biology Club observes migrating birds

by CARLA HARPER

The Biology Club traveled to Rockefeller Wildlife Refuge at Grand Chenier, La., this past December to observe the lifestyle and habits of thousands of birds who migrate there each winter.

The club members, who stayed at the refuge's lodgings, spotted approximately 70 species of birds during their 3-day stint. Two uncommon species, the Roseatte Spoonbill and the Pigeon Hawk, were observed in the Sabine National Wildlife Refuge, located a few miles north of Grand Chenier.

Besides seeing the various bird types, the members saw numerous mammalian and reptilian fauna that dwell in the refuge's marshy habitat.

Each year the club makes a Christmas field trip which

usually lasts for 3 to 10 days. Participants in this year's excursion were Mary Barbour, Phillip Barbour, Becky Bass, Linda Black, Ken Booth,

Dorothy Bounds, Dorothy Cady, Diann Emerson, Leanne Fenton, Francais Hanna, and Larry Raymond, who is a Jacob's Park Naturalist.

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SPORTS

Misfits, Organization win basketball exhibitions

by G. DAVID ROWLAND
Contributing Writer

If your parents told you misfits don't go very far they were wrong,—at least Monday night.

Scoring twenty points, Paul Caldwell led the Misfits to the first win of the intramural basketball season as LSUS opened pre-season play Monday.

THE MISFITS outscored Welch Independent 74 to 56, but the high score came from David Barnes of Welch with 22. The Misfits reserve power was too much, however, as Jim Bruce and Ken Brand each contributed 16 points.

In the second game the Organization took command of DOM 34-25 as Ernie Hill scored

13 points—the only player to reach double figures in that game.

THE MOOD OF the night changed in the final game as the Soul Patrol battled Greenway

three-minute overtime to pace the Gang to a final 40 to 38 win.

Fellows and Gerald Jones of the Soul Patrol and David Hunsicker of Greenway Gang led the scoring with 14 points each.

Intramurals deadline

Sport	Entries Open	Entries Close	Captain's Meeting	Play Begins
Softball	Feb. 2	Feb. 27	March 9	March 10

Gang to a 36 to 36 tie with Kerry Fellows making a fifteen-foot jumper to put the game into overtime. Fouls became the undoing of the Patrol, however, as John Holcomb made a free throw and a field goal in the

After a week of practice games, teams will begin regular season play. Games will be played at Fort Humbug on Youree Drive, next to the Veterans Administration Hospital.



Basketball begins

"Kareem who?"—A Welch Independent player goes high in the air to try and block a Misfit shot as other players await a possible rebound. (photo: Roger Herring)

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